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SUBJECT: COSTA RICA WILL TRY TO SWAY GUATEMALA ON UN COUNTRY-SPECIFIC
RESOLUTIONS

REF: 09 STATE 116264; STATE 108921

11. (SBU) Costa Rica will oppose no-action motions on, and support the resolutions against, Iran, Burma and the DPRK in the Third Committee meetings and the UNGA. The GOCR will also seek to influence the government of Guatemala regarding it's plans for the UNGA vote on the resolutions.

12. (SBU) Deputy Director of Foreign Affairs at the MFA Linyi Baidal confirmed the GOCR position on November 13, and stated that they opposed no-action motions on principle. She said that the Canadian government had also discussed the issue with them to secure their vote specifically on the Iranian resolution. Additionally, she said that they would consider sending representatives from their Embassy in Guatemala city to speak with the GOG, and that she would bring up the matter with the Guatemalan Foreign Minister at an upcoming regional meeting in Mexico.
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